

To My Elected Representatives,

I am a law abiding firearms owner with a CT permit.

I am writing to let it be known that a tax on firearm ammunition is unjust. I am empathetically opposed to all proposals that would suggest such a tax.

As recent court decisions, rulings and opinions have stated, and as the Bill of Rights clearly states, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed. Ammunitions and such that are in common use are integral components of firearms which allow them to function for their intended lawful purposes such as sporting, hunting, and self-defense. One cannot ban, restrict, or limit a person's God-given, natural right to self-defense.

Unlawful taxation of firearm ammunition would place unjust burden on a lawful citizen's ability to train to maintain proficiency, hunt, and to defend themselves.

As a citizen, I am against the unlawful use of firearms by violent criminals as much as anyone else. But I also know that the world is a dangerous place, life is difficult, people are unpredictable, and criminals do not obey the laws!

A tax on ammunition only serves to place discriminatory encumbrances on good citizens, and would do nothing to stop violent crime. Gun violence prevention is almost always focused on good law abiding citizens and rarely on criminals.

Place your focus on criminals and violent crime reduction, repeat offenders and increased penalties and sentences for crimes with firearms. NO NEW TAXES!

In today's economy, placing a tax on ammunition is not the right move.

Sincerely,

Lisa Shamansky